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Subject: MT committee meeting with Strickland and Doug

I'd like to take a delegation of our MT / crime commission members – Ben, Blair, Johnny, Dave Slott with Bill in to meet with Strickland and Doug McGowen in June (while Alex is out on maternity leave) to discuss what's being done, and not done, to address the officer shortage.

In our meeting with Dave Bronczek, Strickland mentioned that one big thing City is not doing, but which it needs to do, is salary increases – he said we have to grow first before we can do that. Not sure I'm in agreement with that answer and at the very least we need to probe it further. Seems to me it should be an absolute priority to provide top wages in the country, and be known for that, especially since we don't have pension anymore.

I'm also concerned about how well the Blue Path program is being run, and how effectively PSTs are being used to relieve sworn officers so they may do other things (and whether that's even being tracked).

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